

Commissioners Present: Marshall L. Harris Chairman, Joseph M. Prior Vice Chairman, Paul C. DeMaio Clerk

Employees Present: Superintendent: Craig W. Jalbert; Secretary: Dale Barnes-Johnson

Open the Meeting: The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Accept the Meeting Minutes: Postponed until prepared.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Hospital Road Pump Rehab Project ~ no new updates to report, day tank replacement remains an ongoing open issue; discussions on how to move forward took place at the USDA project meeting Thursday September 29th. Amanda from T&H called Simplex directly informing them the unit on site cannot fit and a smaller one is needed. The manufacture did not think there would be an issue with taking the unit back for another; restocking charges and fees were not discussed.

The diesel was serviced Monday, the engine handled its first load bank testing fine; a few problems were uncovered. The alternator had failed and the battery charger requires replacement, Cummings quoted \$320 for the alternator and \$670 for the battery charger. Craig researched the internet and found a suitable battery charger for \$200 vs. paying \$650; the revised quote for the alternator parts/labor/travel came in at \$900 and some change.

Obviously, with the day tank issue still unresolved, the previously discussed wish list items are still on hold.

Water & Sewer Personnel ~ seven out of fifteen applicants were interviewed for the Water & Sewer Utility Maintenance Worker position, including a journeyman electrician and master plumber. Of the applicants Chris Siniscalchi seemed better suited to our needs; he interviewed well, asked questions, appeared enthusiastic and self-motivated, all references were outstanding. Craig recommended Chris for the position. A motion was made by Paul and seconded by Joe to appoint Chris Siniscalchi as Water & Sewer Utility Maintenance Worker effective October 11, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

When Assistant Superintendent Murphy is cleared by his physician; an independent "fit to work" evaluation will be scheduled prior to him returning to work.

Water Meter Replacement ~ Craig would like to schedule a time when the Zenner meter representative can come out to present how the Zenner meter reading system works, discuss cost and the value the system as it relates to the return on investment.

Special Town Meeting Articles ~ the Board of Selectmen have set a Special Town Meeting for November 14th and would like any articles submitted to the Town Administrator by October 25th... earlier if possible.

Department Activity

Hydrant Flushing Program ~ hydrant flushing is complete, two hydrants require repairs, one on Reynolds Ave, the other on Lower Hampden Road.

Leak Detection ~ Prowler Leak Detection is scheduled to perform a complete system survey now that flushing is complete.

Meter Reading ~ reading is complete, bad touch pads, which now cost \$8.00 each are being addressed.

Water Service Leak (Act #0015) ~ the homeowners have chosen Mike Woloshchuck to replace their line. Hopefully, the work will be scheduled within the next few weeks.

103R Main Street Water Line Separation ~ different contractors have been inquiring about the proposed work which is required to be done prior to sale; Closing Attorney Thompson has been disclosed this information.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting has been set for Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 3:30 p.m.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Paul and seconded by Marty to adjourn at 4:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Paul C. DeMaio, Clerk

cc: Selectmen